

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A wall patch, comprising:
a sheet of film having a substantially uniform thickness, and further comprising a lower surface and an upper surface;
a pre-textured, ready-to-paint layer ~~pre~~-applied to the upper surface; and
an adhesive located on a the lower surface of the sheet; and
a perimeter of the sheet having a feathered edge.
2. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 1 wherein the feathered edge comprises a plurality of non-uniform serrations.
3. (Currently Amended) A wall patch according to claim 1 wherein the sheet of film comprises a ~~polyester or other~~ plastic film.
4. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 3 wherein the sheet is formed from a single tear-resistant material.
5. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 1 wherein the sheet is formed of a sheet of biaxially oriented three-ply polypropylene film.
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18. (Currently Amended) A wall patch for repairing a hole or a crack in a wall, comprising:
 - a ~~non-perforated~~ flexible sheet having a substantially uniform thickness and including an upper surface and a lower surface;
 - an adhesive layer applied to the lower surface of the sheet; and
 - a ready-to-paint layer ~~pre-applied to the~~ upper surface.
19. (Currently Amended) A wall patch according to claim 18 wherein the ready-to-paint layer ~~on the~~ upper surface of the sheet is pre-textured.
20. (Currently Amended) A wall patch according to claim 18 wherein one or more edges of the sheet are feathered to allow the sheet to more readily blend with a ~~textured~~ wall surface.
21. (Currently Amended) A wall patch according to claim 18, further comprising:
 - a center reinforcement formed separately from the wall patch, wherein the center reinforcement is placed over the repair area before securing the wall patch and adhered to the adhesive layer.
22. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 21 wherein the center reinforcement is a rigid metal or plastic wall patch.
23. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 21 wherein the center reinforcement is a smooth, self-adhesive plastic or fibered-paper wall patch.

24. (Currently Amended) A wall patch according to claim 1 wherein the pre-textured, ready to paint layer comprises a mixture of paint and mud ~~preapplied~~ applied to the wall patch during fabrication of the wall patch.

25. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 19 wherein the ready-to-paint upper surface of the sheet is pre-textured with a mixture of mud and paint.

26. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 1 wherein the sheet is formed from a single puncture-resistant material.

27. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 26 wherein the material is a plastic.

28. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 27 wherein the material is a polypropylene film.

29. (Previously Presented) A wall patch according to claim 27 wherein the material is a polyester film.

30. (Currently Amended) A wall patch ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of:
a sheet formed of a ~~single, contiguous~~ tear-resistant material, said sheet having an upper surface and a lower surface;
a pre-textured, ready-to-paint layer applied to the upper surface; and
an adhesive layer applied to the lower surface.

31. (Currently Amended) A wall patch according to claim 30 wherein the sheet further ~~comprises~~ consists of a perimeter having a feathered edge.

32. (Currently Amended) A wall patch according to claim 31, wherein the feathered edge ~~comprises~~ consists of a plurality of non-uniform serrations.